Abstract

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The invention comprises a method for providing a multi-colored, long-lasting engraved mark on the surface of a brick or other similar ceramic object. Masks are used to separate coloring agents during the engraving process such that variegated designs may be created. A groove may be placed in the surface of the brick over the area to be engraved to provide a substratum for the coloring agent. The coloring agent is placed in the groove and subjected to heating such that it melts and fuses with the underlying brick surface within the groove. The coloring agent is comprised of colored glass frit particles. A laser is optimally used for providing both the grooving and the heating steps.